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300 Attend "99" Convention

The 13th annual Ninety and Nine State Convention was held at the Mallory Avenue Christian Church in Portland, October 10 with over 300 men present. A "blackout" during the intermission and banquet hour caused by transformer trouble proved a real hindrance to the registration desk and prevented an accurate tally of all the men present. However, the cutting off of the electricity did not dim the vital current of Christian fellowship and spiritual inspiration.

The later banqueters dined in de luxe fashion with candles supplying the light, and as soon as the men of the host church could get them around there were candles enough to direct traffic and to enable the men to visit without resorting to the "touch system to recognize their neighbors! Even the wedding candelabra were put into service to cast their mellow gleam over the sanctuary.

The highlights of the convention were very appropriately spiritual in keeping with the theme, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" The opening devotional thought by Edwin Beem from I John 4, the presentation of the cause of hospitalized veterans by Vernon Kullowatz, and the address of Willie White, "Where Is Thy Brother?" all helped to sound a high note in the afternoon program. The reports by district presidents occasioned some keen humor to leaven the session and indicated a healthy condition in the field of men's work in most areas of the state.

The evening session opened with Clifford Snyder called into play as song leader. Arthur Parrish did such a good job (despite a bad cold) in the afternoon that he could not risk further punishment of his throat. The talks by the boys' campers were perhaps the best of any to date. The judges had a real task to select the winner, Norman Nelson, of the La Grande Church, who will speak at the men's banquet in the 1950 Turner Convention. Dick Fishback, was second, and Eddie Pysher, from Parkrose; and the third contestant present, won the hearts of the men with his story of the Wi-Ne-Ma camp.

The evening business session moved with dispatch through an agenda which included the adoption of the revised constitution and by-laws as presented at Turner in July. An amendment was included making district presidents members of the state executive board. A motion was carried for the appointment of a committee to look into the opportunities for some special ministry to the hospitalized veterans, and officers were elected for the 1949-50 fiscal year. Most officers were given a second term, but the following men were elected for the first terms: Carl Moon, vice-president of the Eastern Area; Arthur Parrish, vice-president of the Northern Area; Donald Payne, pastor-adviser of the Willamette Area; and Lynn Neal, as financial secretary.

The final treat of the day came with the address of Walter Fiscus on the world-wide application of the convention theme as interpreted through the lives and service of individual Christians. His message inspired his listeners to a new sense of realization of the Christian task. The report of the convention would not be complete without a word of appreciation to the "3-man" N.C.C. quartet who sang superbly despite the temporary absence of one of their members who was too ill to attend. Many others who cannot be named deserve thanks for work well done.

Centennial Convention A La Mrs. Burke

Mrs. C. C. Smith, Women's State President, Portland, and Mrs. Edna Burke, Eugene, Executive Secretary, were the two representatives of the Oregon Women's Board who attended the International Convention in Cincinnati, October 25-30. Other delegates from Oregon were Myron Cole, Mrs. Mary Parker and daughter Margaret, Mrs. Fetterman, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Davis, Mrs. Velda Herron, Mrs. Willa Griffith, Miss Delores Lee, C. H. Addleman, Hubert Sias, all of Portland; Kenneth Johnston, Mrs. George Woods, Mrs. Josie Johnson, Miss Anna Johnson, Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. Ross Griffeth and Bob, Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Bristow, Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Hyland, Carroll Roberts, Jean Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Moon, Eugene; Dudley Strain, Salem; Lynton Elwell, Lebanon; Aldis Webb, Tillamook; Holly Jarvis, Medford. Missionaries well known in Oregon were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hendricks, Dr. and Mrs. Moon, Adele Bower, Mr. and Mrs. Aigi Kamikawa, Mrs. Hattie Menzies, Dr. and Mrs. Douglass Corpron.

One of the most inspiring and heartening features of the convention was the group of Nationals who were present and participated in the program. Without exception they testified to the fact that they were products one way or another of our mission schools. What a fine group they were and how our hearts thrilled with joy and pride! Missionary work does pay! Their appeals for more workers stirred our hearts. Peoples of every land are hungry for the better life which can come only through Christ.

The historical pano-drama, "Pioneers, O Pioneers," presented on Tuesday night was written by one who grew up in Oregon, and who is now Professor of Psychology in Phillips University, Dr. Harold Humbert. The name of his mother, Mrs. Ella Humbert, is indelibly linked with Women's Missionary work in Oregon. She served as a member of the Women's State Board for several years and gave unstintedly of her service in the cause of Missions.

As the drama which covered the period from the days of the Campbells and Walter Scott up to the present was unfolded we were reminded of the great contribution which these sturdy pioneers made to the Brotherhood, and the heritage which is ours because of their labors. Our appreciation was thus deepened.

An unusual feature of the convention, the first of its kind in the history of our Brotherhood, was the commissioning service for eleven new missionaries, most of whom are scheduled to sail for their respective fields in the near future. There were many tear-filled eyes in the auditorium as the sacred words of charge given by Dr. McCormick, President of the United Christian Missionary Society, and the earnest words of acceptance and whole hearted dedication were spoken by the new missionaries. Would that we had more just like them ready to send out! Miss Adele Bower, who graduated from Northwest Christian College and the University of Oregon, and who received her nurse's training in Eugene; Mr. and Mrs. Aigi Kamakawa, Nisei couple, students at Northwest Christian College in Eugene before the war and who last year graduated from Phillips University, Enid, Oklahoma, were especially near to the Oregon delegation. They belong to the Northwest and we have a right to be proud of them. For the present all three are going to Japan; later, when opportunity is given, Adele will go to China.

The Saturday night session of the convention featuring the young people was an outstanding experience. Hundreds of young people, many of whom came long distances were present for and participated in the service. They were a part of the 3,000 life work recruits Crusade group, most of whom are in some college preparing for service. Ruth Kinney, candidate for India, class of '49, Northwest Christian College, now taking further training in Kennedy School of Missions, Hartford, Connecticut, presented the volunteers for the Mission Field. Jean Johnson, sophomore at Northwest Christian College, and pre-med student at the University of Oregon, was in the great group. Speakers for the service were Jesse M. Bader, Dr. Royal J. Dye and Rhodes Thompson Jr., the last named a senior at Texas Christian University. He was an able representative of the younger generation.

At the close of the service while Rosa Welsh Page sang, "The Lord's Prayer", by Malotte, the young people knelt in a period of dedication and consecration, a fitting climax for the great Centennial Convention. With such a grand group of young people definitely dedicated to full Christian service to depend upon we can take new heart. They are depending upon the churches to stand back of them. We must match their devotion.

The great communion service held in conjunction with the Protestant Festival of Faith was held in the new Cincinnati Gardens Auditorium Sunday afternoon, October 30. The huge building was jammed by the more than 15,000 people, some of whom stood for the entire service. Thousands were turned away because of the lack of room. A choir of 800 people made of members of Cincinnati churches led out in congregational singing; 400 deacons of the Christian Churches served the great throng very quickly. Rosa Page Welsh sang two negro spirituals, "Let us Break Bread Together on our Knees," and "Were You There?" It was a wonderful service.—Edna L. Burke.

MILWAUKIE — 1 baptism and 8 added otherwise in August and September. Alger Fitch is pastor.

China Christian Mission Has Urgent Need

Rolland and Gladys Sjodin, missionaries to the China Christian Mission, located at Kweiyang, Kweichow, China, have sent word to their forwarding agent, Mrs. Neilan Dodson, that they are in desperate need of $2,000, to complete payment on their mission property. $3,700 has already been paid on the purchase price. It was thought that plenty of time would be given for the third and final payment; but now, Mr. Lee, from whom the property was purchased, is demanding immediate payment of the balance—or they will have to move out.

It is hoped that this $2,000, which, with $500 in their building fund, will complete payment, can be secured quickly in either or both of the following ways:

"1.—Contributions in any amount as the Lord lays it upon your hearts;

"2.—Loans of $100 or $500 from either churches or individuals for the period of 12 months without interest. (A note will be sent promptly)."

The Sjodins have done a good evangelistic work with a large number of converts during the time they have been in China. The following quotation from a letter sent out by their forwarding secretary should throw light on the stability of the work at Kweiyang:

The Sjodins definitely plan to stay in Kweiyang. This report has not changed despite any news you may have heard from other missionaries who have left China. Kweichow is the most peaceful province in China, and it faces no Communist threat. In fact, the Sjodins do not expect any trouble from the Communists at any time. They are close to the situation. If they have the faith and courage to stay, certainly it is our part to trust their judgment and to support them in any way we possibly can. The Sjodins are not stubborn, neither are they blind to the facts, for those of you who know them will agree that they are sensible, intelligent, and most loyal workers. In the event the Communists should come to Kweiyang the property there will be kept for mission work because we are occupying land belonging to us. In case communications are cut off between the Sjodins and us here at home they have made arrangements whereby they can be self-supporting there for a short while if necessary. Gladys works 18 hours a week for a government dispensary, and both she and Rolland teach English classes, as well as Bible classes. You are already familiar with the phases of their mission work and the many victories they have won for Christ."

Anyone wishing to assist them in making the final and saving payment on their mission property, either by a gift or a loan, should do so through Mrs. Neilan Dodson, Forwarding Agent, 1669 E. 13th St., Eugene, Oregon. —J. Frank Cunningham.

Stayton

Three additions in October. A new parsonage is started, to be finished by January 1. The old one will be used for class rooms. Clyde R. Freeman, pastor.

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State Secretary - Director's Diary

Our report for the month of October is closed on the 20th, since I will be away from the office the last of the month. I preached 5 sermons at the following churches: Glendale, Salem First, Liberty, and 2 at Lebanon. There was one confession. We had three fine Youth Meets during the month; at Grants Pass, Bend, and Forest Grove. We found the youth much interested in improving their materials. We appreciate the hospitality of the churches and fine messages by the ministers. I spent 3 days at the Educational Workshop at Mallory Avenue Church in Portland. This was an outstanding meeting and we wish to express our appreciation to the fine leadership of the meeting. The state enjoyed the contribution that Kenneth Hendricks made to both the Youth Meets and the Workshop. Attended a Crusade meeting, a Youth Committee meeting, a conference with the trustees of the Liberty Church, and the State 90 & 9 Convention, the reception for the Roberts in Eugene, and a committee meeting of the CROP and offered the invocation. Eight days were spent in the office with 14 conferences. I travelled 1,577 miles.—C. H. Addleman.

Robert Tobias Assists Exarch

Robert Tobias, Disciple Minister, was recently appointed Associate Director, Department of Reconstruction and Inter-Church Aid, World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland. During the last three years he has spent much time visiting Christian leaders in Europe for the purpose of discovering the needs of churches and assisting them in every way possible.

Among the long time leaders in Bulgaria is the now deposed Exarch of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church. He is in poor health and without means.

Mr. Tobias has had at his disposal $1,000 from Week of Compassion funds to meet severe personal needs encountered in his travels. From this fund he sent the Exarch a parcel of cloth.

In a letter to Mr. Tobias, the Exarch says,"Deeply touched by your attention which is worthy of Disciples of Christ. With all my heart, I am expressing my deepest gratitude, and pray God almighty to extend His grace and generosity to you for what you offered me voluntarily and so kindly." —From "Minister's Bulletin."

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The Historic Centennial Convention

Over 8,000 registered for the convention, and there is no way of knowing how many attended the night sessions that did not register. It was a great convention reviewing our history of progress and our look of faith to the future. The convention was a fellowship, a sharing, a workshop rather than a great preaching convention. There were great messages each day, so do not misunderstand me. The International Convention is more like an annual church meeting where we study our victories and see some of our failures and then set about to meet the challenge of the hour. There were many dramatic scenes in the convention. The historical pageant, the college processional, the commissioning of missionaries and the final session on Saturday night when nearly 1,000 youth dedicated themselves to follow Christ in all vocations. To see that body of youth on their knees in prayer did something that no sermon could have done. I am not belittling preaching, but we need to make our conventions something more than a preaching marathon. The final Communion Service was a fitting climax. The great Cincinnati Gardens, seating at least 13,000, was over crowded with people standing everywhere they could and hundreds were turned away. The writer knows, for he was one of those who stood. The International Convention is becoming both the voice and action, as well as a common meeting ground for the life of the brotherhood. I count myself fortunate to have been able to attend this historic meeting. —C. H. Addleman.

Chapel Speakers

Chapel speakers at Northwest Christian College thus far has been Dr. Victor P. Morris, Lynton Elwell, Aigi and Kiyo Kamakawa, who are new missionaries to Japan; Kenneth Hendricks, Ross J. Griffeth, Rodney Northrup, Dr. Carroll C. Roberts, Miss Grace Bush, H. V. Johnson and Medford Jones.. —R.J.G.

Northwestern Christian Home

Mary E. Phillips, Supt.
Ray C. Smith, Field Representative

We are thankful for the fine contributions of canned vegetables and fruit mince meat, pickles, jelly, apples, potatoes, chickens, sugar cookies, quilts, sheets and pillow slips received for the Home recently from the following churches: Gladstone, Tigard, Lebanon, Beaverton, Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Amity, Silverton, Corvallis and Holley, in Oregon: Pasco and Waterville, Washington; Buhl and Kimberly, Idaho; Fort Benton, Montana. Besides this cash contributions have been coming in also, though not quite equal to last year.

Among the visitors from a distance have been L. L. Haines, Ogden, Utah; Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Pinson, Anacortes, Washington; Mrs. H. S. Nolan and daughter, Walla Walla, Washington ;and Mrs. Walter L. Myers, San Gabriel, California. Mrs. Myers spent some time greeting old friends at the Home as well as in Beaverton where she lived for ten years while her husband was field representative for the N.W.C.H.

Visiting groups from other churches included those from the following: Amity, also presenting a program: Silverton, 30 women who provided a dinner party for Mrs. Wray honoring her 91st birthday. Mrs. Alice McFadden, of Pocatello, Idaho, was a special guest, having been present at the wedding of Mrs. Havernick, of Silverton, in Minnesota 50 years ago.

Sunday morning chapel services were presented by a group from Central Church, Portland; Freeman Yardley, of Sellwood; Gene Chamberlain, of Southeast Church, Portland; George Whipple, of Kern Park; and Mrs. George Springer, of Beaverton, pinchhitting for her husband who was ill and unable to fill the engagement.

Mrs. Clara Stivers Vernon, Field Representative of Northwestern Christian Home years ago was at the Home during October in the absence of our superintendent, Miss Phillips, while she was enjoying her vacation "back home". Our nurse, Mrs. Frances Smith, is recovering from her recent operation and is expecting to resume her duties soon after the first of November. Mrs. Helen Smith "subbed" for her during this time. Mrs. Inman, our "handy man" around the place, is on her vacation this month. Mr. Drollinger has not been well for several weeks. Mrs. Newbill is able to take a few steps with the aid of her crutches, though it is a painful and slow process after being down so long. Mrs. Boyd has "perked up" considerably and is able to go to the dining room for most of her meals. Mr. Kieler is now a "senior" having passed his 90th milestone, October 10. There are now four in this class, Miss Myler, Mrs. Burgett, Mrs. Wray, and Mr. Kieler.

Our beautiful flower beds have lost their beauty since the frost and rain descended upon us, but our lawn is still green and other growing things are still pleasant to behold, and arrangements are made so that early blooms will appear at the first signs of spring. The new "movies" of the grounds have been shown to 28 groups by our field man up to November 1 and always there is a manifestation of interest in the Home.

Oregon churches in which meetings have been held are Rockaway, Garibaldi, North Plains, Scio, Sisters, Powell Butte, Wallowa, Heppner, Hermiston and Milton; besides 12 in Idaho, 2 in Washington, and 1 in Montana. He travelled over 3,000 miles, preached 5 times, showed the film 24 times, and made over 140 calls on Home business.

The Christmas season is a desirable time to ask for an offering for Benevolence, and supplies for this purpose should reach the churches participating in this plan in the near future. There are many appeals for our attention, but the needs of "your other family" at Beaverton are urgent and worthy of your consideration. Remember, OUR GIVING ASSURES THEIR LIVING. —R.C.S.

Christian House

Christian House in Eugene made an excellent start on its year's program, Sunday, September 25, when 66 young people were present for the Sunday evening fellowship. The first series on "How to be a Christian on Campus" was presented by Mrs. Golda Wickham, dean of women at the University of Oregon. Dean Fogdale, head of men's activities, will be a second speaker. The three Johnson boys, sons of H. V. Johnson, discussed "How to be a Christian and Still Be Popular." They are Art Johnson, student body president, Harold and Ralph Johnson, recent graduates in the law school.

Sunday afternoon, October 9, was a day of welcome to the new pastor of First Christian Church, Dr. Carroll Roberts, and Mrs. Roberts, with a tea and reception from 4 till 6 o'clock to which campus leaders, as well as our own students, were invited. He made his initial talk to the group at the fellowship hour following.

Emphasis is being placed on college membership in the local church while on the campus, and a planned program of visitation is being sponsored by the officers of Christian House to encourage students to affiliate with the church during their school days. A "Back to the Hills" party was arranged for campus church night, Friday, September 30. Jan Hood, of Tacoma, Washington, was chairman.

Extensive improvements in the physical facilities have been made during the past weeks with the addition of a porch, the installation of a new kitchen, and much papering and painting. Sunday School classes of the First Christian Church in Eugene have assisted in the labor. Class members have also joined with missionary groups in a shower of jellies, jams, pickles, and other canned goods. Much equipment and many furnishings are still needed. Lists are available. —D.B.E.

United Evangelistic Advance

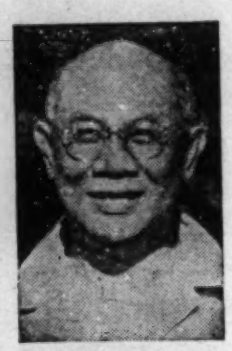
Forty religious groups have worked out a joint program of evangelism. It began October 2, 1949 and will run until December 31, 1950. Many of our own churches will cooperate heartily in this movement.

No one will deny the need of the most aggressive evangelistic effort that has ever been made in America. The nearest approach to Christian unity, for which we pray, can be found in a united advance against Satan. Each church is at liberty to press the campaign with the method that suits it best; but it can gather inspiration from others, and give inspiraion to others, by cooperation with others. Every church will receive material that will help it in the cooperative process.

Crusade News

Crusade In America Inspires Pablo Bringas

Pablo Bringas, veteran Filipino pastor, arrived in America, August 15, 1949, and planned to return to his ministry with the church at Bangued, Abra, Philippine Islands, after the Centennial Convention. Mr. Bringas has served for twenty-six years as pastor in the Philippines, following his education in Drake University, where he received his B. S. L. and B. D. degrees.



Pablo Bringas

He was greatly moved by the crusading of American churches and believed his visit here will enable to accelerate the Crusade in the Philippines.

Following World War II, his church at Bangued served as headquarters for relief work by the American Mennonites, who stationed seventeen of their members there on substance basis. Part of our Week of Compassion money was used in this relief work.

The church gave every assistance to the Mennonites in building a quonset type hospital. Contributions of labor and material were generously given. It was a beautiful example of Christian cooperation, and when these Mennonite brethren closed their work, the hospital was turned over to the Disciples.

Mr. Bringas said there is need for more native workers. His admiration for our missionaries is unbounded. He was told of a young Hindu, now visiting America, saying, "In India we need your American dollars to feed our starving people, but we do not want your missionaries." Mr. Bringas was shocked. He exclaimed: "These missionaries! The kind of stuff they are made of is entirely different. We appreciate your money, but between money and missionaries, give us missionaries."

Future Of Our Colleges

Harlie Smith

A glance back over one hundred years of Disciple history is convincing evidence of the belief of the Disciples in the power and importance of higher education.

It is significant to note that the early founding of a good college always meant continuing growth of the brotherhood. It is not possible in the scope of this short space to name names, but the name of "Campbell" is practically synonymous with "higher education." For Campbell set the pattern for the Disciples to follow, and established a college of a character new to American education, that became a model of new liberal education for the nation.

The surviving colleges face the second century of our organized life with many new and difficult problems. Their leadership is adequate. Their future is in the hands of the Disciples. In the Crusade our people are deciding whether the things that have made us great in one century shall be vigorous and strong in the next.

Much of our future depends upon where a resasonable number of our youth are educated. If our colleges fail because of an indifferent brotherhood, that indifferent brotherhood will have an indifferent future.

Harlie Smith

Youth Crusades

The First Christian Church of Guthrie, Oklahoma, has developed unique methods of using youth in its Crusade program evangelism and leadership training. With notable progress in the various phases of the Crusade in this aggressive local church, the pastor, Harold E. Enz, has led the congregation to call a Phillips University student, Bill Howland, as Director of Youth Work and Rural Minister. On Saturdays he directs junior high and senior high groups in planning their programs. After a brief time with these groups in the Sunday morning devotional period, Mr. Howland goes to one of the four rural Bible Schools in which many of the members of First Church Work.

Bill Howland

Mr. Howland has been one of the outstanding youth leaders in our brotherhood, having served as president of the following groups: Enid, Oklahoma, Youth Council; Oklahoma Youth Council; Oklahoma Christian Youth Fellowship; and International C. Y. F. Commission.

Last April, First Church extended its Crusade program of evangelism through a youth sponsored revival, with Bill Howland preaching and Herb Barnard leading the singing. There were seven additions to the church.

Thanksgiving Offering

The special offering received on Thanksgiving Sunday, November 20, is for the support of the most fundamental phases of the work of the church—state missions and education.

State Missions, as the term is commonly applied to the work of State Missionary Societies, usually function along the lines of establishing new congregations, the rendering of financial assistance to new or weak congregations, and the planning and promotion of conventions and rallies of our people.

All phases of the educational program are supported by the Thanksgiving offering. The Department of Religious Education provides leadership and materials for the work of the Church School, youth and adult conferences, and the training of leaders in every field of educational endeavor. Social education, the function of the Department of Social Welfare of the United Christian Missionary Society, is dedicated to the determination of the facts which affect basic human needs and problems. Support is given to the Board of Higher Education and many church related colleges, where there is today being trained the future leadership of our churches.

The future spiritual welfare of America's greatest "crop" of children depends upon the adequacy of the constant improvement and expansion of the church. Every congregation should share through the taking of a generous Thanksgiving offering for these causes.

— RNS Photo

Week of Compassion funds helped make possible this sewing project organized by the American Advisory Committee, China Branch of Church World Service. War refugees and other needy in Shanghai will wear the garments being fashioned by these women from flour bags.

The 1950 Week of Compassion

The Week of Compassion has become a significant and appreciated observance in the life of the churches. The date for the 1950 Observance will be March 5-12. All offerings of the Week of Compassion will be credited on the financial goals of the churches remitting the offerings as during the past three years.

The financial goal of the Week of Compassion in 1950 will be $1,500,000 and the first $250,000 will be allocated to Church World Service for relief and reconstruction in Europe and Asia, and the remaining to be allocated to other agencies cooperating.

The reason for increasing the financial goal of the Week of Compassin to $1,500,000 was twofold. First, many of the agencies in the Crusade are administering work similar to that carried by Church World Service. This means that the purpose of the Week of Compassion remains in the same pattern of service. Second, it is the purpose to make the Week of Compassion this year a great period for the churches to secure funds on their financial goals in the Crusade. This is vital in the third year of the Crusade. It has also been discovered that many churches will welcome this opportunity to attain all or a portion of their Crusade financial goal.

The reason for a change in date was that last year the observance came the third week of February and then toward the end of March "The One Great Hour" was promoted by Church World Service. This dual promotional approach caused considerable confusion and misunderstanding. To avoid repetition of such an unsatisfactory experience Church World Service will promote a Day of Sharing on March 12 and will observe the Week of Compassion March 5-12. By this compromise in dates it was felt that the appeal would be strengthened and the irritation avoided.

It needs to be stated that only funds remitted to the Crusade office or reported by the cooperating agencies and institutions for projects within the Crusade are credited on the Crusade goals of the churches. This is mentioned here because of the offerings to CARE and CROP.

Following is a special arrangement worked out with CROP: The policy of the Crusade for the year 1949 and 1950 will be to give credit for cash gifts to CROP as a Week of Compassion offering which also includes Crusade credit. Credit can only be given when the money passes through our records. This can be accomplished by the churches sending the money directly to the Week of Compassion specified for CROP or by sending the receipts for cash given to CROP to the Week of Compassion and there will be an exchange of checks with CROP, which meets the requirements for our giving proper credit as a Week of Compassion offering and credit on the Crusade.

Helpful materials may be obtained free from Unified Promotion, Irvington Station, Box 5636, Indianapolis 19, Indiana.

The Third Year Crusade The Last Year
FOR A CHRISTIAN WORLD

Kenneth Johnston, Director

State Chairman Speaks

A Million Strong

These members of the Christian Church who are represented in the Crusade through their respective congregations are at least a million strong. A million people seeking a deeper spiritual life, and committing themselves to more extended service for Christ are finding a new joy in their religion. Their efforts are winning hundreds of thousands of new converts. New leadership is being trained for the home churches, and our Bible Colleges are being crowded with recruits for full-time service! More new churches are being established, more money for missions is being given, more is being done for Christ because a million people are crusading! It is too good for any of us to stand by and watch from the sidelines. Let it be YOUR Crusade, MY Crusade, OUR Crusade.

Special Emphasis

As a result of three Oregon Crusade Assemblies held last month in La Grande, Salem, and Grants Pass it was decided to urge all our churches to give special emphasis to the Crusade during the period November 20-30. Let us bring the Crusade to every member. We must not only talk Crusade but we should BE Crusading. This is the final year, certainly there is no time to lose. Do the members of your congregation understand what the financial part of the Crusade means to Northwest Christian College? Millions of dollars go into buildings on our state campuses each year, **but N. C. C. has not had one new building in more than 28 years** (save a heating plant). We, the churches, have not supported N. C. C. Our giving has not been worthy of either the faculty or students. The Crusade is our opportunity to show that we love our college. $300.000 of Crusade funds are to go to N. C. C.

Does your church know what the Crusade means to the Christian Houses on the Campuses at Eugene and Corvallis? These houses represent our churches to our students on these campuses. Each is to receive $15,000 from the Crusade. The work is important. The money is needed.

Special teams from our Oregon congregations will be in the field to offer assistance to any church that will use them during November 20-30. Plan to use these members who are giving their time to the Crusade. Plan special group meetings—plan a program of Crusading in your church. A Crusade doesn't "just happen." It requires work, planning, sacrifice, and much prayer. These meetings are part of the Crusade, but more important, they are the sinews of Christian faith!

Oregon - Crusade Giving Up To June 30, 1949

Albany	$ 1,104.22	Monmouth	10.00
Ashland	99.86	Multnomah	100.00
Astoria	166.14	Newport	1.00
Bend	497.80	North Bend	171.00
Brownsville	96.25	North Plains	80.71
Burns	5.00	Northwestern Christian Home	177.00
Coburg	256.84	Nyssa	77.27
Coquille	377.98	Oakridge	58.72
Corvallis	6,476.44	Ontario	191.16
Crabtree	97.00	Oregon City	16.82
Creswell	353.82	Pendleton	3,911.49
Culver	10.76	Pleasant Hill	469.40
Dallas	3,658.11	Portland, Englewood	277.18
Dufur	120.00	Portland, First	9,612.39
Estacada	27.00	Portland, Kern Park	1,612.49
Eugene, First	12,239.84	Portland, Mallory Ave.	2,714.41
Eugene, Fairmount	413.26	Portland, Parkrose	108.07
Falls City	60.50	Portland, St. Johns	194.64
Fall Creek	176.16	Portland, Sellwood	223.60
Forest Grove	737.50	Powell Butte	71.10
Franklin	95.70	Redmond	109.12
Gladstone	162.73	Rockaway	23.02
Goshen	102.97	Roseburg	2,096.35
Grants Pass	3,327.78	St. Helens	345.35
Harrisburg	1,707.00	Salem, Court St.	967.99
Heppner	46.72	Salem, First	4,043.02
Hermiston	702.41	Scio	30.62
Hillsboro	168.91	Silverton	1,375.79
Hood River	135.31	Sisters	202.04
Hood River Valley	132.86	Springfield	637.81
Jefferson	60.00	The Dalles	295.68
Junction City	543.75	Tillamook	876.59
Klamath Falls	902.00	Turner	9.75
La Grande	512.29	Vernonia	140.24
Lebanon	674.21	Wallowa	156.25
McKenzie Bridge	140.38	Walton	50.00
McMinnville	1,534.71	Wasco	9.00
Madras	50.00	Yamhill	154.40
Medford	4,070.78	Zion	9.00
Milton	156.14	Miscellaneous	488.72
Milwaukie	48.90	Total	$74,864.86

Crusade Is Victorious In Recruits For Christian Service

One of the prime objectives of A Crusade for a Christian World is the enrollment of 3,000 young men and women for full-time Christian work. Reports from our Christian educational institutions indicate that in this third year of the Crusade an all-time high will be reached in the number of such enrolled.

Dr. A. T. DeGroot, Dean of the Graduate School of Texas University, writes: "A tentative report indicates that we will enroll some 300 ministerial and other full-time Christian students."

Special News

Donald Poston, formerly of the Quindaro Christian Church in Kansas City, now giving full time to the Crusade, will be in Oregon, November 20-30. Mr. Poston is a real Crusader. He will be here to help our Oregon churches in their Crusade efforts. Any church will be blessed by having him in the pulpit, before special groups, or in a planning session for the Crusade.

On With The Crusade

How Does A Crusading Church Measure Its Progress?

1. By the fact that the Crusade effort is accepted by the members of the Church and that organizations and committees are at work.
2. By seeing progress in the attainment of the program activity goals, such as new members, enlarged Sunday School attendance, tithers and proportionate givers enlisted, Christian home visitation set-up, leaders in training and the progress in all these and other goals registered on the program activity chart.
3. By having the total financial objective pledged and the church organized to reach a total goal by June 30, 1950, and also by remitting funds each month.
4. By the "stepped up" tempo of church activities brought about by crusading members.
5. By the crusading spirit of faith and confidence.

Where Are Crusade Offerings To Be Sent?

Crusade offerings are to remitted to A Crusade for A Christian World, Box 5636, Indianapolis 19, Indiana, or to any of the cooperating agencies or institutions. All Crusade offerings sent to the cooperating agencies or institutions must be marked plainly for A Crusade for A Christian World.

Crusade gifts mailed with regular offerings must be clearly marked as Crusade gifts.

How Does a Crusading Church Keep Up Its Crusading Spirit?

1. By being completely dedicated to the gospel of Christ and to the outreach of the Kingdom of God.
2. By believing without equivocation in the redemptive power in the gospel of Christ to save men and our troubled world.
3. By prayer and developing of prayer cells among members of every church.
4. By keeping in mind the great objectives and purposes of the Crusade which arose out of the needs of our brotherhood life and the agony and heartache of our sin-crushed world.
5. By remembering that the Crusade is a call of God for our generation and by giving the Crusade a priority in the life and program of the church.

Northwest Christian College

Oregon students enrolled at Northwest Christian College, and the home churches represented, are as follows:

ALBANY: John J. Myers.

AMITY: William G. Morse.

ASHLAND: Phyllis R. Downing, Doris A. Renzema, Raymond R. Renzema.

BAKER: Berlena Dougherty

BEND: Wytheal T. Strickland.

BURNS: Eleanor Bower, Beverly Switzer.

CANBY: Dale M. Sawyer.

COBURG: Audrie Oldham.

COQUILLE: Carrol R. Horner, James E. Kimsey, Marie Soward.

CORBETT: Wayne A. Thompson.

CORVALLIS: Larry Burnworth.

DALLAS: Elmo L. Black, Marilyn Henrickson.

DUFUR: Valda Benedict, Kathleen Whitten.

EAGLE POINT: Nora Irene Kingery.

EUGENE (Fairmount): Donald Allen, Donald Blakley, Phyllis Blakley, Orville Collver, Loraine Carlson, James Morgan, Naomi Morgan, Ramona McClanahan, Alberta Paden, Ilene Richey, Mary Smith, Janice Yates.

EUGENE (First): Loren R. Fisher, Arlene Hendricks, Laurence Moore, C. W. Eugene Smith, Robert O. Sullivan.

EUGENE (Church of God): Opal Beymer.

FALLS CITY: Hazel Ward.

GARIBALDI: Donald R. Johnson, Joseph H. Scovell.

GLADSTONE: Margaret A. Schamp.

GLADSTONE (Baptist): Vincent D. Smith.

GRANTS PASS: James Piper, John Piper, Roberta Piper.

HALSEY: Wilma Chance.

HARRISBURG: Marybelle Blehm, Roxana Clark.

HERMISTON: Vern Hunt, Robert Kendall, Betty McMickle.

HILLSBORO: Mrs. Martha James Betzer.

JEFFERSON: Leighton Weddle.

KLAMATH FALLS: Minta King.

LEBANON: Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Hake.

MEDFORD: Beverly Cram, Marus William Mumbach, John R. Payton, Delbert V. Troxell.

MILL CITY: Robert A. McDonald, Kirk Wirick.

MILTON: Russell E. Myers.

MILWAUKIE: George Knox, Anna Martin.

MOLALLA: Robert Church, Eldon Haley, Marlin J. Love.

MONMOUTH: Helen Elkins, David A. Jaynes, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McElray, John Smith.

MULTNOMAH: David Kullcwatz, Maxine A. Smith, Keith Watkins.

NEWBERG: Marlin D. Johnson, Erma Rusaw.

NORTH PLAINS: Donna and Virginia Barnett.

OAKRIDGE: Agnes Marie Abbott.

ONTARIO: Emily Louise Helseth.

OREGON CITY: Glenn Dicken, Priscilla Hutchins, William J. Imhoff, Durwood Thomas, Howard J. Wood.

PLEASANT HILL: Betty Garmire, Catherine Wheeler.

PORTLAND (Central): Donald G. Burney, Billie Lee Caton, Carole Courtney, Glenora Chesnut, Vern F. Cornelius.

PORTLAND (Englewood): Eleanor M. Brostrom.

PORTLAND (Kern Park): Bruce R. Clark, Patricia Dixon, Marcella Irwin, Victor Lambert, James F. Pfouts, Shirley Raymond, Clarence A. Read, Ardeth Whitbeck.

Liberty Host Church

The October rally of the North Willamette district of the Ninety and Nine Men was held at the Liberty Church on October 24 despite heavy fog which rolled in the preceding Sunday and liked the Valley so well that it held on. Even so there were 43 present for an exceedingly fine fellowship and program in the beautiful new chapel. The ladies were real scouts in preparing and serving a delicious meal without the benefit of a kitchen. The Salem First Christian Church graciously loaned dishes, but those Liberty folk knew how to fill them. Abe Friesen, former president of the district, still regrets turning down that second helping of pie!

Paul Maddox, newly installed vice-president of the district, found out why vice-presidents were invented. Harold Stapleton, the new president was away on a hunting trip, in a party which included Ike Bartel, state president. (Those boys had better have some fowl or game in the locker for the next North Willamette feed at Monmouth.) At any rate Paul did an A-1 job as the master of ceremonies. Brother Bates, Silverton pastor, led the devotional service, and the girl's trio of the Liberty Church sang a group of numbers, and to conclude a fine evening Walter Naff provided a message befitting his first visit in the new chapel. After the benediction and farewells Brother Elery Parrish, host pastor, commented that even the fog had thinned out considerably. If the men had been in full attendance we are sure their witness for Christ could have melted not only the physical fog, but a lot of spiritual fog in the world.

Heralds For Christ

Dallas and Leanna Meserve, evangelists sponsored by the Ninety and Nine Men, concluded meetings at Mill City and Dayton in October. They were scheduled to begin at North Bend on November 6, and at St. Johns and University Homes on December 4. A report on their labors and further schedule will be made in these columns in December.

PORTLAND (Mallory): Dolores Jean Keller.

PORTLAND (St. Johns): William Allen Byerlee, James G. Edwards.

PORTLAND (First Methodist): Gracie M. Wolf.

REDMOND: Beatrice Eaton, Albert E. Naff, Mary Lou Roberts, Clara Sunkler.

REEDSPORT (First Baptist): Linnie May Serfling.

ROSEBURG: Beverly J. Collison, Donald A. Gibbs, Betty Lee Hahn, Sue Hahn.

SALEM (Court Street): Robert Brock, Leo E. Horner, Thomas Hostetler, Beverly Lyman, Mr. and Mrs. Dean L. Wolfe.

SALEM (First): Darl M. Hunt, Douglas Van Dyke.

SILVERTON: Neilan D. Dodson.

STAYTON: Betty Ware.

TILLAMOOK: Lutricia Booher, Betty Carey, Orris Lee Doty, Faye Filby, Leroy Ishmael, Clifford King, Dorothy Hoven Porter, Roger H. Pye.

THURSTON: Janice Pruitt.

TOLEDO: Ray C. Charlesworth, Jr., Maybelle Stanley McDonald .

TURNER: James E. Farrell, Merlin L. Shields.

VAUGHN: Glenn C. Hawkins.

VENETA: Donald Ferabee, Elmer Jenkins.

YONCALLA: Vernon E. Raper.

Student Work

The National Student Fellowship Quadrennial will meet in Des Moines at Drake University, December 27—January 1. This will be a great mass meeting for Christian Church Students on "The Student and His Faith," the first of its kind. While the three student centers in the Pacific Northwest has been assigned quotas, as also has Northwest Christian College, all college students of our churches are eligible to participate. Churches should see that their worthy college youth get to attend this initial gathering of our brotherhood students. Clearance should be made at one of the centers: Corvallis, Eugene, or Seattle, where registration forms are available.

A special car attached to the Union Pacific Streamliner is being planned, with the writer in charge of those arrangements. Delegates will be housed and fed in the dormitories of Drake, with sessions in the University Church and on the Drake campus. The program includes worship, Bible Study, inspiring addresses on our faith and mission, firesides to discuss disturbing questions, workshops for improving our student work, and fellowship in recreational and cultural activities.

Church groups and individual adults can help greatly by sponsoring some of our worthy youth whose limited budgets will not permit them to attend, but who should get this great experience in Christian student fellowship. The total cost per person will be around $100 if we have enough people to fill the chartered coach.—Dulcina B. Elliott, 736 E. 16th, Eugene.

Southeast Church

Final organization of a new outpost for New Testament Christianity was made on October 2 in Southeast Portland. Located in the heart of a fast growing locality, it was done with a feeling of fulfilled destiny. A conservative estimate of the population is 30,000, with no other Christian Churches in it. At present the group meets in a tent. If we are to survive the winter a better shelter must be provided. Construction has already begun on a building which can be expanded in the future. Present plans include only a shell on a cement floor. The State Board has made a gift of $1,000 from the Centennial Fund. The Ninety and Nine Men will also help. Local folk and friends have raised about $650. We have over $3,000 in prospect for a job that would normally cost $4,000. Volunteer labor from near by churches and contributions from friends are needed now. Send gifts either to the state office or to Southeast Christian Church, 2546 S. E. 131st Avenue, Portland, Oregon. Gene Chamberlain, State Evangelist.

McKenzie Men At Vaughn

A rally of the McKenzie District men was held at Vaughn on October 17. Dr. Roberts, new minister of the First Christian Church in Eugene, was the guest speaker. Dr. Burnett, district secretary, forwarded a fine account of the meeting to us which we promptly placed in the letter file for reference. It is still there while we are attempting to write our news items on the road. However, we remember he included an outline of the new budget which was adopted in the rally and will say that the McKenzie Ninety and Niners will bear watching as they engage in an aggressive campaign to grow in number and in service.

Morse Situation Improved

In the October issue of the OREGON CHRISTIAN we told of the report that Robert Morse was being held by the Communists; but mentioned the confused situation in China, and the fact that reports from the field did not always reach us in chronological order, so it was difficult to know what was the latest news.

Now it seems that the report of Robert's capture may have been due to a misinterpretation of scanty news coming from the field. For, unless the reported "capture" took place after the release of the latest word to reach my desk, the situation among the Morse family and their associates is better than it was, or seemed it would be. We recently received a pamphlet entitled "Third 1949 News Letter Operation Release," By LaVerna Morse, in which he gives a graphic description of the evacuation by plane of supplies and personnel of "Eugene, Helen and David Lowell Morse, together with two other missionary families (who) were stranded in Liakiang, the last white people in the city".

Our item in the October OREGON CHRISTIAN also told of the plan to evacuate the women, particularly, from Kunming, Yunnan, China; while some of the men hoped to get to northern Burma, and to work for Christ there. However, the pamphlet mentioned above carried a supplement with a letter from J. Russell Morse, written September 20, a portion of which is quoted below:

"My precious beloved ones:

"There is a great lot of news to be told, but we have been too busy and too distracted and too tired to write it. Our biggest news is that Mel Byers and LaVerne flew to Chengtu in Szechwan Province last Thursday on the first lap of their trip to Batang from whence they will try to get through outer Tibet southward and so join up with our folks in the Mekong and Salween valleys. We repeatedly advised them against it. Bill and Melba Rees, with their infant son, flew to Hong Kong on Saturday, so now only Eugene Helen and their little David are left with Gertrude and me. Drema is here too. Temporarily, at least, the Yunnan situation has greatly improved so far as the non-communist situation is concerned, and we are SO glad to be able to stay here and work for the Master.

"A recent baptism brought the total to 25 since our arrival. Attendance at all services of the church continues to be very encouraging . . . . . .

"Undoubtedly the best recent news is that we received a letter from Betty over the ordinary postal route, despite the 'local communists' being in control of nearly half the mail route."

Let's not forget to pray that God will continue to guard and guide these intrepid soldiers of His in these trying times. —J.F.C.

North American Christian Convention

The next North American Christian Convention will be held in Cadle Tabernacle, Indianapolis, Indiana, April 26-30, 1950, according to announcement made by Ard Hoven, Cincinnati, Ohio, President of the Convention. The theme of the convention will be "The Church Is Christ's."

Portland First

Twelve new members by transfer are noted in the columns of The First Christian. Myron C. Cole is the pastor.

N. W. District Directors Meet

The new directors of the Northwest District of the Ninety and Nine Men met on October 17 at the Central Christian Church and elected executive officers and committee chairman. Floyd Shaw, of the St. Johns Church, was re-elected as president; Martin Lee, of Mallory Avenue, was elected vice-president; Bud Grogan, of Central Christian, secretary; Oscar Howlett, of Central Christian, treasurer; Lloyd Read, of Oregon City, evangelistic chairman; and Vernon Kullowatz, of Parkrose, pastor-adviser. The next district rally will be held in the Kern Park Church on November 28. Other November rally dates include Yamhill at Sheridan on the 21st, and South Willamette at Corvallis on the 28th.

Missionary Breakfast

The Junction City Women's Council entertained the societies of District Number 4 at a missionary breakfast on Wednesday morning, October 14. Miss Isabell Abrams, who has spent some time this past summer working in Migrant Camps in the Milton area under the Oregon Council of Churches, was the guest speaker. She gave a clear picture of their living conditions, lack of security, lack of education and religious training—in fact almost everything that makes life worth while. They have very little hope of ever rising above their present living standards because of the necessity of moving from one place to another as the crops are ready to be harvested.

Miss Abrams stressed the need for more adequate support on the part of the Oregon churches, for this important missionary work on our very doorstep. Delegations were present at the breakfast from Albany, Eugene, Brownsville, Jefferson, a total of 88. The devotional service was led by Mrs. Catherine Saunders, Secretary of District No. 5. —E.L.B.

North Bend

The church at North Bend is now using its new basement which has been under construction the past year. It will contain a kitchen, furnace room, rest rooms and a social room 25 by 45 feet. This room has a self supported ceiling and will be used for Christian fellowship and youth activities. It will also house 6 classes by the use of movable partitions. The attendance has increased the past year—141 on Rally Day, and 90 attending the potluck dinner following. Seven responses to the invitation that day, 6 by confession. Since July 1 there have been 2 added from the Medford Church, 3 from another brotherhood, 9 baptisms and 1 reconsecration. They will have an evangelistic campaign in November led by Dallas Meserve. L. T. Carstensen is the pastor.

MRS. F. E. BILLINGTON

A recent Christian Evangelist carried the news of the death of Mrs. Frank E. Billington in Fort Worth, Texas. The Billingtons will be remembered by scores of older people in Oregon. He held pastorates in Oregon at Cottage Grove, Albany and Silverton; and he was state secretary for three years immediately preceding C. F. Swander. Mrs. Billington was a real pastoral helper. Her husband and daughter, Donna Jean, survive her; also a brother and a sister live at Amity. Our sympathy goes to the surviving ones.

Treasurer Reports

State Ninety and Nine Treasurer John Jordan reports the convention offering was $232.51, and that district receipts since include Central district, $15; Coast, $35.00; Northwest, $71.06; North Willamette, $30.50; McKenzie, $34.50; and Mid-Columbia, $50. The usual custom of receiving the convention offering via envelopes in order to give each district credit on the new budget became side tracked in the "black-out" confusion so the offerings will have to be listed in the "special and miscellaneous" column. Brother Jordan reminds us that the work of evangelism must go on and that only as we give can our share be cared for. Further reports will be sent to the men's groups in each church following the first meeting of the new state executive board on November. 6.

Baptisms In India

The following item is from the "Central Provinces Evangelist," September, 1949:

"During the summer there have been baptisms at Sahdol, Manendragarh, Kotmah, and the Bilaspur Churches, which brings the total additions in all the Central Provinces Churches of Christ to 63 so far in 1949. And others are ready and will obey their Lord in Christian baptism soon."

Missionaries of the Central Provinces India Mission are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schaefer, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Bernel Getter, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben E. Schiller. Miss Laura Belle Samson is preparing to join this mission. —J.F.C.

Englewood

One added by statement on October 30. Attendance at both morning and evening services has increased to an almost all time high, with 35 to 40 at the mid-week prayer-meeting. C. F. Swander has been acting as ad interim pastor since September 11. They have hopes of obtaining a permanent full time pastor soon.

Mallory Avenue

One confession of faith and 2 transfers of membership on October 9. Four members of the church attended the International Convention with their pastor, Hubert E. Sias. Two young men recently dedicated their lives to Christian service—Richard Laver and David Lee.

Newberg

During October there were 5 baptisms and 2 added by statement. Began evangelistic meetings October 30 under the leadership of the Jones—Keister Evangelistic Party. Big, enthusiastic audiences on opening day. Anticipate a fine meeting. Close on November 20. —J. Frank Cunningham, pastor.

St. Helens

The Tan-Ditters closed a two-weeks campaign October 16. There were 5 confessions of faith and 1 by statement. The church was materially and spiritually strengthened. The Tan-Ditters are accomplished in music as well as preaching. We commend them to any church. Contact them, Box 27, Federal Station, Portland.

B. ROSS EVANS has some open time in January due to a cancellation. You may contact him directly (Route 3, Box 96, Hood River), or write to the state office.

Bend

Eight additions October 25—3 baptisms and 5 otherwise. The young people are doing a good job of directing the evening services. Eight boys received diplomas from the Crescent Lake camp. There has been an increase in attendance since the close of the "deer season." Len B. Fishback, pastor.

Portland Central

A baptism and one added from the Baptists is recorded for October 23. The pastor, James Earl Ladd, has been holding a meeting in Lexington, Kentucky. There were 69 additions. Ralph Holcomb, assistant pastor, held the fort during his absence.

Roseburg

A two day training course was given our teachers by Mrs. Oakley Rhay, of Eugene, and Mrs. Kenneth Johnston, of Dallas. Many new ideas and helps were discussed. The pastor, Kenneth Knox, assisted the church at Halfway in a meeting during October.

Clothing Needed

Brother W. S. Crockett, who is doing mission work at the city jail, says that clothing is needed. He can distribute clothing for both men and women. Bring, or send, it to his home, 3149 S. E. Belmont St., Portland.

Hermiston

Four baptisms and 3 transfers of membership (2 from the Presbyterians) recently. Work has begun on a new educational unit. Ray Smith was a visitor on October 25. Albert D. Kribs, pastor.

Woodburn

Beginning our second year with this church. Bible School larger than for many years, about 50% ahead of last year. There have been 34 added—five this month (October) thus far. —D. D. Priest, pastor.

Kern Park

Walter Fiscus closed a successful meeting with us. There were 12 responses to the invitation and 6 reconsecrations. We had 12 added previously to the meeting. George R. Whipple, pastor.

Court Street

Their news sheet tells of 8 additions recently. Harold Lyman, pastor, had an attack of flu but is now recovered.

THE TAN-DITTERS will be available for a meeting during the winter. You may write them (Box 27, Federal Station, Portland), or to the office.

SOUTHEAST—4 added by transfer in October. Most of time spent as a carpenter. Gene Chamberlain, pastor.

SEASIDE—2 baptisms in September. John Schmid, Pastor.

BURNS Church reports 1 confession and 8 added otherwise in September. Earl L. Soward is pastor.

CANBY—1 Added by transfer October 23. John Stone, pastor.

LaGrande

There has been increase in attendance. The summer months increased 11% in the Bible School above a year ago. September increased 25% over September a year ago. Mrs. Mary Kail is the Superintendent. Ross J. Griffeth was guest speaker on Rally Day.

We plan to begin the new building in the spring. Our building plans were featured in the October issue of Church Management.

The "99" men met on October 26 and reorganized. They plan to serve a church dinner on Sunday, November 20. November 28-30 is set for a visitation campaign. Our pastor, Gene Robinson, was elected president of the Union County Civic Music Association. He is also president of the city Ministerial Association. Our church is well represented in community activities. George Anderson Jr., is Exalted Ruler of the Elks; Carlos Easley is president of the Lions Club; Ken Lilliard is secretary of the Lions Club; and Powell Graham is president of the Rotary Club.

Sunday evening Bible study has been started again. Attendance is good. —Mona Sudbrock, reporter.

"The Walkin' Preacher"

The Church Life Institute, held at the Mallory Avenue Church (Portland) October 31 to November 4, was well attended. More than 600 people crowded into the auditorium on the last night. The great attraction was "The Walkin' Preacher of the Ozarks", guest speaker. His fund of human interest stories, taken from his experiences in the Ozark mountains, were not only interesting, but they were a spiritual uplift as he told how he met their problems. From time to time he threw great gobs of spiritual teaching that could not fail to land in hearts where they will do good. The speaker is slight of stature, not at all an orator, but his heart is burning with a passion for the uplift of the backward people in his adopted section of Missouri so that neither stature or eloquence is needed to carry the interest and attention of an audience as long as he cared. We are glad that he came.

Attending Convention

The following persons from Northwestern Christian College attended the Centennial Convention in Cincinnati: President and Mrs. Ross J. Griffeth with their son, Bob; E. M. Eldridge, Field Representative; Professor Ronald E. Osborn and Gene Johnson, a student. Miss Adele Bower (NCC '46) carried the pennant for Northwest Christian in the College Night Processional. —R.J.G.

NCC Guests

Guest instructors at Northwest Christian College during the month of October have been Dr. V. E. Hoven, Prof. Emerist; Medford Jones, Evangelist; Mrs. Clarence Elliott, Director Christian Houses; and Dr. Paul Mellish, Pastor Central Presbyterian Church, Eugene. —R.J.G.

Enrollment at NCC

Fall enrollment term at Northwest Christian College reached a total of 328 students. Of this number 171 are men and 157 women. There are 62 veterans. —R.J.G.